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In re Application of: Mason et al.

Group Art Unit: 2665

Serial No.: 09/627,253

Examiner: Nguyen, T. D.

Filed: July 28, 2000

Docket No. 1322/40/2

Confirmation No.: 2388

For: PRESENCE REGISTRATION AND ROUTING NODE

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AMENDMENT B

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated April 28, 2003, having a term that expired on July 28, 2003. A petition for a 2-month Extension of Time extending the deadline for responding to the Official Action up to and including September 29, 2003 is attached hereto. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

Serial No. 09/627,253

<u>AMENDMENTS</u>

Please amend the subject U.S. Patent Application as indicated on the following sheets:

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for two months:

> Fee: \$410.00

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10*

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^{*} Only the date of filing (§ 1.6) will be the date used in a patent term adjustment calculation, although the date on any certificate of mailing or transmission under § 1.8 continues to be taken into account in determining timeliness. See § 1.703(f). Consider "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" (§ 1.10) or facsimile transmission (§ 1.6(d)) for the reply to be accorded the earliest possible filing date for patent term adjustment calculations.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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Total additional fee for claims required \$336.00

FEE PAYMENT

5. Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$746.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0426.

Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above.

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